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The Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences affirmed the rejection(s) against independent claim(s) 1, but reversed all rejections against claim(s) 3 dependent thereon. The independent claim(s) is/are cancelled by the examiner in accordance with MPEP § 1214.06. Applicant is given a ONE MONTH TIME PERIOD from the mailing date of this letter in which to present the dependent claim(s) in independent form. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) WILL BE GRANTED. Failure to comply will result in cancellation of the dependent claims and the application will be allowed with claim(s) 5, 6, and 11-13. Prosecution is otherwise closed.

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